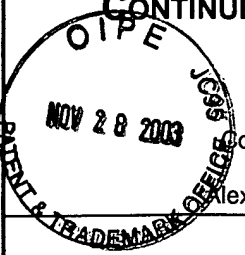


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**REQUEST FOR
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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-captioned application. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application

I hereby certify that this document is being deposited with the U.S. Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class main addressed to Commissioner for Patents, Mail Stop RCE, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA, 22313-1450 dated on this 24th day of November, 2003.

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1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

- a. ☐ Previously submitted
- i. ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on _____
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered.)
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
- iii. ☐ Other: _____
- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☒ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (including Form PTO-1449 and References)
- iv. ☐ Other: _____

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2. Miscellaneous

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-captioned application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed three months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required.)
- b. ☐ Other: _____

3. Fees The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

- a. ☒ The Fees are calculated as follows:
- | | AMOUNT | <input type="checkbox"/> Large Entity | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Small Entity |
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| i. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> RCE BASIC FEE | \$ 385.00 | \$ 770 | \$ 385.00 |
| ii. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EXTENSION FEES | \$ 55.00 | One-Month \$ 110.00
Two-Month 420.00
Three-Month 950.00
Four-Month 1480.00
Five-Month 2010.00 | \$ 55.00
210.00
475.00
740.00
1005.00 |
| iii. <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER () | \$ 440.00 | \$ | \$ |
- b. ☒ Check in the amount of \$440.00 is enclosed. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any variance between the amount enclosed and the Patent Office charges to **Deposit Account No. 50-2319 (A-68724/AJT (465425-8))**.
- c. ☐ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the fees as indicated above, charge any variance or credit any overpayments, to **Deposit Account No. 50-2319**.

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